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INFO AMCONSUL HAMBURG

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FOR EXCON OEA: CHARLES SWANSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ESTC, ETRD, SW

SUBJECT: EXPORT CONTROL: REEXPORT PROBLEM

1. GENERAL MANAGER OF INTEGRATED COMPUTER SYSTEMS (SWEDISH FIRM) HAS NOTIFIED EMBASSY THAT IMPORT OF IBM371/45 COMPUTER FROM HAMBURG HAS BEEN DELAYED BY ALLEGATION OF NEED FOR REEXPORT LICENSE FROM US GOVERNMENT. FIRM STATES MATTER IS OF GREAT URGENCY BECAUSE COMPUTER WAS TO BE SHIPPED ON 16 SEPTEMBER AND PREPARATIONS FOR INSTALLATION ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY. DELAY WOULD MEAN CONSIDERABLE COST AND DELAY TO PURCHASER, AHLENHOLM, ONE OF THE LARGEST SWEDISH DEPARTMENT STORES.

2. DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A) PURCHASE OF COMPUTER WAS ARRANGED BY ICS THROUGH GERMAN FIRM INTERNATIONAL COMPUTER AND CONSULTING GMBH IN HAMBURG. ACTUAL SELLER WAS REENTSMA, GMBH, A LARGE TOBACCO IMPORTER.

B) IBM COMPUTER IS ALLEGEDLY ASSEMBLED IN WEST GERMANY AND 90 PERCENT OF COMPONENTS ARE MANUFACTURED IN WEST GERMANY. ICS WAS NOT AWARE OF VARIOUS LICENSING AGREEMENTS WHICH MIGHT EXIST, NOR OF NEED FOR US REEXPORT

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PERMISSION.

C) ICS HAD REPORTEDLY APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED GERMAN EXPORT PERMISSION. PROCEDURE FOLLOWED WAS, ACCORDING TO ICS, EXACTLY THE SAME AS THAT FOLLOWED WHEN IT PURCHASED AN IDENTICAL IBM COMPUTER SOME TIME EARLIER.

D) COST OF THE COMPUTER IS 3.5 MILLION SWEDISH KRONER (\$797,000).

E) COMPUTER IS TO BE USED IN WAREHOUSE INVENTORY SYSTEM BY AHLENHOLM AND IS NOT TO BE REEXPORTED.

3. ACCORDING TO ICS, GERMAN FIRM HAS TELEXED TO OFFICE OF EXPORT CONTROL, ATTENTION MR. DAVIS, REQUESTING EXPEDITED TREATMENT. EMBASSY ALSO URGES THAT THIS CASE RECEIVE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION IN VIEW OF TIMING INVOLVED. IF FURTHER DOCUMENTATION IS INVOLVED, REQUEST THAT OFFICE OF EXPORT CONTROL INFORM THIS EMBASSY SOONEST SO THAT WE MAY ASSIST IN EXPEDITING.

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